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MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: May 14, 2004
Meeting Time: 1:30 P.M.
Meeting Place: Conference Room D,
Governmental Center South
Meeting City: Indianapolis, Indiana

Members Present: Steve Baranyk, Chair; Jeff Brougher; Donald Cook; Mark GiaQuinta; Jerry Payne; Thomas Sponsel; Larry T. Kennedy; Brad Skolnik.

Members Absent: None.

The primary objective of the meeting on the 14th of May was to receive reports from the Subcommittee members on the progress of the various Task Teams. The secondary objective was to determine where help might be needed to continue our progress toward the preparation of our reports by mid-September.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TASK TEAM - Brad Skolnik

Interviews have been conducted with a number of I.T. vendors to the State. Individual State agencies are now being interviewed. The I. T. Task Team members are dedicated to the task.

The state of Virginia was noted as a possible example of a new approach to managing I.T. in state government. They have implemented a state wide I.T. function with the authority to direct the development and implementation of I.T. solutions to various state functions.

PERSONNEL TASK TEAM – Brad Skolnik

The Personnel Task team is progressing with its review of key issues including:

Employment Issues – Recruiting and Retentions

Compensation and Performance Appraisals and Management

Health Care Cost Containment

Training and Development of state employees

Miscellaneous strategic issues

INDOT TASK TEAM – Don Cook

This Task Team has now taken hold and is making progress. Two Co-chairmen have accepted their responsibilities and have lead a brainstorming session. A plan of attack of the key issues is under development

IDEM TASK TEAM – Larry Kennedy

Dr. Beranek and his Task Team have conducted a statewide fact finding exercise to identify;

Key issues impacting IDEM,

Condensing the information to a fifteen page summary with six sub-categories

Assigned individual Task Team members to the six categories for further analysis

A detailed report with key recommendations is anticipated.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION - Steve Baranyk

The DOC Task Team has made significant progress since our last Subcommittee meeting. Statistical analyses are now being performed as the result of a combination of brain storming and meeting with key Agency personnel.

DRY – Tom Sponsel

Study groups have been formed and are on track. The next scheduled meeting is June 8 and will focus on issues such as the Organization Structure of the Department and Marketing strategies. It is anticipated that the Team will begin to prepare a final report early in July.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE – Jerry Payne

Jerry has reported that progress is being made on identifying key issues to support recommendations for making the Department more effective.

PEAK PERFORMANCE PROJECT – Steve Baranyk

A meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 28, with the Lt. Governor to discuss the coordination of Peak Performance and Government Efficiency. Additionally, a meeting has been scheduled with the Auditor and her staff to review the issue of the Chart of Accounts. This will be a key topic for Mr. Baranyk's meeting with the Lt. Governor.

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 11, at 1:30 p.m. in Conference Room D of the Indiana Government Center South, Indianapolis, Indiana.